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SUBJECT: DRAFT CONSTITUTION FORMALLY PRESENTED TO HEAD OF STATE

REF: (A) 75 LAGOS 9939 (NOTAL) (B) LAGOS A-70 (C) LAGOS 9691

1. AS SCHEDULED (REF. C), CONSTITUTION DRAFTING COMMITTEE  
PRESENTED FRUIT OF ITS TEN MONTHS' LABOR TO HEAD OF STATE  
OBASANJO SEPT. 14 IN FORMAL CEREMONY AT DODAN BARRACKS. TWO  
VOLUME WORK, COMPRISED OF DRAFT CONSTITUTION, GENERAL REPORT,  
RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SEVERAL SUBCOMMITTEES AND VARIOUS  
OTHER WORKING DOCUMENTS WAS ENDORSED BY FORTY-SEVEN MEMBERS OF  
THE FORTY-NINE-MAN COMMITTEE. OBASANJO ANNOUNCED THAT DRAFT  
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CONSTITUTION WOULD BE MADE PUBLIC WITHIN THE MONTH AT WHICH

TIME HE URGED CITIZENRY TO SUBJECT IT TO FULL DEBATE.

2. TWO COMMITTEE MEMBERS, DR. OLUSEGUN OSOBA OF UNIVERSITY OF IFE AND YESUFU BOLA USMAN OF AHMADU BELLO UNIVERSITY SUBMITTED "MINORITY" DRAFT AND REPORT TO HEAD OF STATE THROUGH CABINET OFFICE LATER SAME DAY. IN STATEMENT TO PRESS, OSOBA AND USMAN INDICATED THEY DIFFER FROM COMMITTEE ON "FUNDAMENTAL POINTS OF CONCEPTION AND PRINCIPLE" AND HAD HANDED IN SEPARATE DOCUMENTS SO THAT NATIONAL DEBATE MIGHT BE "GENUINELY THOROUGH." COMMENT: SOCIALISTS WHO FAILED TO GET THEIR VIEWS ADOPTED BY COMMITTEE MAY NOW BE PREPARING TAKE THEIR FIGHT TO PUBLIC.

3. COPIES OF COMMITTEE DOCUMENTS WILL BE POUCHED AS SOON AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE.

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